

In the Claims:

- 1        1. (Original) Arrangement for the torque measurement of  
2              rotating machine parts with a strain measuring bridge (2)  
3              arranged on the rotor, the output signals of which strain  
4              measuring bridge are amplified and converted in a  
5              voltage-frequency converter (4) into a  
6              frequency-proportional signal and are transmitted by means  
7              of a transmitter circuit (9) to a stator, characterized in  
8              that the voltage-frequency converter (4) is embodied as a  
9              synchronous voltage-frequency converter, after which a  
10             follow-up synchronization circuit (PLL) (6) is  
11             circuit-connected for the suppression of the so-called  
12             frequency jitter.
  
- 1        2. (Original) Arrangement for the torque measurement according  
2              to claim 1, characterized in that the synchronous  
3              voltage-frequency converter (4) is driven with a high  
4              quartz-controlled frequency, which comprises a multiple of  
5              the required carrier frequency, which is provided for a  
6              prescribed signal bandwidth, whereby the follow-up  
7              synchronization circuit (PLL) (6) is followed by a  
8              frequency divider circuit (10), which divides down the  
9              output frequency by the multiple.
  
- 1        3. (Original) Arrangement for the torque measurement according  
2              to claim 2, characterized in that the synchronous  
3              voltage-frequency converter (4) is arranged on the rotor

4           side (14), while the follow-up synchronization circuit  
5           (PLL) (6) is provided on the stator side (13), whereby the  
6           quartz frequency is produced on the stator side (13) and is  
7           inductively transmitted in a synchronized manner to the  
8           rotor side (14) with the aid of the transmitter circuit  
9           (12) and is supplied to the synchronous voltage-frequency  
10          converter (4).

1        4. (New) An apparatus for measuring torque, comprising:

2           a stator;

3           a rotor arranged and adapted to rotate relative to  
4           said stator;

5           an analog strain measuring bridge arranged on said  
6           rotor and adapted to produce an analog measurement voltage  
7           signal at a bridge output thereof;

8           a synchronous voltage-frequency converter arranged on  
9           said rotor, and having a voltage signal input connected to  
10          said bridge output, and having a converter signal output  
11          adapted to provide a frequency signal; and

12          a series circuit arrangement including a phase-locked  
13          loop and an inductive contactless transmitter arrangement  
14          connected in series with one another between said converter  
15          signal output and a stator-side output of said apparatus,  
16          wherein said stator-side output is arranged on said stator,  
17          and said inductive contactless transmitter arrangement  
18          includes at least one first inductive element arranged on  
19          said rotor and at least one second inductive element

20           arranged on said stator so as to cooperate inductively with  
21           said at least one first inductive element.

1       5. (New) The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said  
2           phase-locked loop is arranged on said rotor and connected  
3           between said converter signal output and said inductive  
4           contactless transmitter arrangement in said series circuit  
5           arrangement.

1       6. (New) The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said  
2           phase-locked loop is arranged on said stator, and said  
3           inductive contactless transmitter arrangement is connected  
4           between said converter signal output and said phase-locked  
5           loop in said series circuit arrangement.

1       7. (New) The apparatus according to claim 4, further  
2           comprising a quartz-controlled frequency generator having  
3           an output connected to a reference input of said  
4           synchronous voltage-frequency converter.

1       8. (New) The apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said  
2           quartz-controlled frequency generator is arranged on said  
3           stator, and said output of said quartz-controlled frequency  
4           generator is connected to said reference input of said  
5           synchronous voltage-frequency converter through said  
6           inductive contactless transmitter arrangement.

1       9. (New) The apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said  
2 synchronous voltage-frequency converter is a high frequency  
3 converter adapted to produce said frequency signal at said  
4 converter signal output in a MHz high frequency range that  
5 is a multiple of a required output frequency range at said  
6 stator-side output of said apparatus, and further  
7 comprising a frequency divider interposed between said  
8 converter signal output and said stator-side output of said  
9 apparatus.

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